

SENATE BILL No. 223

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 31-9-2-41.6; IC 31-14-6.

Synopsis: DNA testing in paternity cases. Requires a court to order DNA testing if a party challenges the accuracy of a non-DNA test in a paternity action.

Effective: July 1, 2002.

Miller

January 7, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

C
o
p
y



Second Regular Session 112th General Assembly (2002)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2001 General Assembly.

SENATE BILL No. 223

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 31-9-2-41.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2002]: **Sec. 41.6. "DNA testing", for purposes of IC 31-14-6, has**
4 **the meaning set forth in IC 31-14-6-0.5.**

5 SECTION 2. IC 31-14-6-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
6 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
7 1, 2002]: **Sec. 0.5. As used in this chapter, "DNA testing" means a**
8 **process in which the unique genetic code of an individual that is**
9 **carried by the individual's DNA is compared with the genetic code**
10 **of another individual to determine paternity.**

11 SECTION 3. IC 31-14-6-1.4 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
12 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
13 1, 2002]: **Sec. 1.4. If:**

14 (1) a party to a paternity action challenges the accuracy of a
15 blood or genetic test; and
16 (2) the blood or genetic test does not involve DNA testing;
17 the court shall order all the parties to the paternity action to



C
o
p
y

1 **undergo DNA testing.**

C
o
p
y

